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### Preliminary Amendment Prior to Claims Fee Calculation

Sir:

With a view to avoiding otherwise necessary claims fee surcharges Applicant courteously requests entry of the following amendment into the claims of his instant international application:

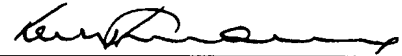
Claim 6, line 1: change "one or several of claims 1 to 5" to --claim 1--;

claim 11, line 1: change "one or several of the preceding claims" to --claim 1--;

claim 12, line 1: change "one or several of the preceding claims" to --claim 1--; and

claim 13, line 1: change "one or several of the preceding claims" to --claim 1--.

Respectfully submitted,



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